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WEDNESDAY, FEB. 21.

The political situation as we go to press has not cleared and we see nothing that indicates an early settlement. Both parties are seeking legal redress to right the wrongs they allege against each other, and when and where and how these contentions will be settled is not just yet in sight. Mr. Taylor is still holding the executive building but has discharged the larger part of the State troops. He has had to guard himself while awake and protect himself while asleep. Gov. Beckham and the Democratic part of the Legislature are now in Frankfort and Gov. Beckham will open up the Executive office in the Capitol Hotel. The situation may clear up in a few days or the dark clouds of political uncertainty may hover over our State for a long while. In the main we can only wait for results and accept the decision of the courts.

Some time ago the people of Columbia had hopes of securing the school to be established by the Louisville Conference in the Columbia District or adjacent to it, but now every vestige of hope has disappeared and we are left to blaze our own path in the educational life or remain in a first class community with only moderate facilities. What shall we do? Shall we proceed in the old path and offer no better inducements and advantages to the children of to-day than most of us were forced to accept thirty years ago? Shall we become discouraged because Columbia was not the favored spot for the establishment of the school so recently passed to our neighboring town, or shall we take on more courage and push our claims to a successful termination? It is a fact that the M. & F. High School at this place, under the management of Prof. T. A. Baker, is now more flourishing than it has been for several years and at present has nearly one hundred pupils under the control of good competent teachers, but the present flourishing condition of the school is mainly due to the industry and thorough work of Mr. Baker, and if we had the assurance that he or some other man would manage this school for 10 or 15 years, we feel confident that it would afford all the advantages as were proposed by the school we sought, but we have no such assurance and in the face of these conditions it is apparent that we need a school on a stronger and firmer financial basis and under such management that it will grow each year in offering better facilities. That this community is amply able to establish such a school is apparent and the greatest hindrance is in difference. Since our Methodist

brethren have passed up, why not the Presbyterians bestir themselves and establish a school of high order in this town? They already have a college building and grounds and if the Presbytery would provide an annual fund of \$1000 or more, we see no reason why we could not have just the same grade school as was proposed by the Louisville Conference. If the Presbyterians would make the above provisions and then call on the people of this town and county to contribute, we believe that a good amount could be secured for repairs and buying more ground etc. If the church that controls the situation would venture to cast some bread up on the waters it seems to us that good returns would result. The iron is hot.

The many reporters who have sought the news at Frankfort the last few weeks have advertised the mountain section of this State to the extent that people living in other States have just reason to believe that the hill party of old Kentucky produced no other character of man than that of a fearless, aggressive cut-throat. We believe that the reputation of this State, and especially the mountain part of it, has been outrageously misrepresented. We do not mean that the set of men who were brought to Frankfort from the mountains have been slandered in the least, for we believe they had been selected for their rough and fearless methods for the purpose of intimidating the Legislature, if possible, and failing in this, that they could do a more desperate deed. But we do believe that the many reporters have indulged in too sweeping accusations against the mountain section. Fends have existed in many of the mountain counties, and at times it has been hard to enforce the law in many of them, but that does not indicate that they—the people, are all desperately bad. We have spent many days in the mountains of this State, have met the rough, uneducated man and also the shrewd and polished gentleman, but in no instance were we, in the least, mistreated, but to the contrary, found more hospitality than in the average country. Facilities are not so numerous for the moral and intellectual advancement of the people of the mountains as in other sections of the State, and neither are the inducements so general for hypocritical actions, hence we believe that the intelligent mountain people of this State are the equal of any other section in their desire to do good and live a peaceful and humble life, but the injustice to that section comes, not so much from a desire to misrepresent and malign that locality, but from the average character as seen and reported by the representatives of the press, and in the present political condition of the State, the rough, the fearless and the dangerous character of the people is indeed to assemble in Frankfort under the pretense of witnesses in the contest, but in reality to intimidate the Democratic Legislature or to do what has been done. This rough class, armed with Winchester and revolvers of huge size, and the representatives of the press met in our Capital City the mountain section was judged by its representatives. We believe that just such desperate characters could have been secured from other parts of the State, but as they were probably more easily secured in that section, and as that part of the country is so intensely Republican, it is likely that the leaders knew where they had better call for aid. If the law-abiding citizens of the mountains feel that an injustice has been done them in this matter, they should carry their complaint to the Republican leaders who made the draw on their section and which resulted in the advertisement they received. The Republicans at Frankfort are responsible for the unjust accusations brought against the mountain section.

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NOW LEADS GREAT BRITAIN.
During 1900 United States Produced More Coal Than Any Other Country on Earth.

The Engineering and Mining Journal, in its annual statistical number, says that the preliminary statement of mineral production in the United States in 1900 shows that the total production of metals in the United States for that year was valued at the place of production at \$113,738,014, compared with \$114,235,620 in 1898. Of non-metallic substances, the total value of the output was \$60,472,431, compared with \$48,090,970, in 1898. Delivering certain unavoidable duplications, such as coal used in coke or iron ore in pig iron and so on, the net value of the mineral production reached a total of \$69,124,481, showing an increase of \$31,607,333 over 1898.

The gold production was valued at \$75,426,535, and the silver \$1,178,689 ounces.

The most important item was coal, the total of which in 1900 was no less than 244,281,875 tons, the largest quantity ever mined in a year, and putting the United States in the first time ahead of Great Britain as a coal producer.

The pig iron was 15,649,454 tons, or 1,678,619 tons more than in 1898. Copper production amounted to 396,672, 737 pounds, a gain of 11 per cent over the previous year. Other important items were 212,003 tons of lead, 133,767 tons of zinc, 2,033,109 lbs. of flint, petroleum, 15,194,211 barrels of cement, 10,023,794 barrels of salt, 87,713 flasks of quicksilver, besides a vast variety of mineral products of less importance.

EXPERIMENTAL FARM.
Model Institution to be Established by the Agricultural Department near Washington.

In all probability a model farm will be maintained in a large tract of the ground belonging to the National cemetery, Arlington, three miles west of Washington. The house military affairs committee agreed upon a favorable report on a measure providing for a general experimental farm in its broadest sense in all pertaining to agriculture, including animal industry and horticulture, and where the science of farming will be practically illustrated. This farm will be under the direction of the secretary of agriculture. Wade project is endorsed by the secretary of war, and he is willing to turn over the land necessary to open up the farm to the secretary of agriculture.

This portion of the Arlington grounds which will be used for the purpose has the appearance of an abandoned estate, with no improvement. The surface is much gulled and cut up by rains and the flow of water into the creek, which cross it and empty into the Potomac river.

The committee in its report says there is no question but under the direction of the secretary of agriculture the premises now so unimproved to the view will not only be changed to a well kept and well improved most important and practical benefit to the agricultural department.

DIVORCE AN ABOMINATION.
Mishap Leonard, of Ohio, criticizes the system; and also the Bill-board Scribes.

Bishop Leonard, of the Episcopal diocese of Ohio, in an address to the city ministers' union of Cleveland, criticized present-day church methods in a severe manner. He denounced the divorce system in the strongest terms, and gave it as his opinion that the walls of the home are crumbling in consequence of the extent to which the system is carried.

"Marriage after divorce," he said, "is nothing but polygamy, legal polygamy in the night of man, perhaps, but a continuation in the sight of God." From divorce Bishop Leonard turned to bill boards, and said that the displays on some of them were enough to bring the blush of shame to the cheek of a maiden, and that they ought to be abolished.

"There is less spirituality to-day," he said, "than formerly. The religious life is too uneducated, and for this the churches are themselves responsible. It is little wonder that the churches are not filled. In former days men could not be seen driving through the parks on Sunday. This is a practice that should be stopped and cannot be too severely condemned."

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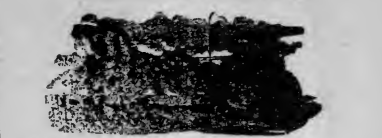
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